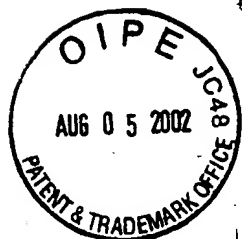


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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is responsive to the final Office Action dated July 16, 2002 and is being filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Supplemental IDS.

Claims

Please cancel claims 27 and 29.

Please amend claims 46-48 as follows:

46.(Amended) A separator/drive module for driving and separating tickets from a strip of tickets in which individual tickets are delineated from one another by lines of